

Jesus and Abraham

Genesis 22:1-18

We step a little closer in our understanding of God's love for us when we fully engage the pain of _____ an only child. For God so loved the world...

Discussion 1. How do you personally engage the notion of God loving us so much that He sacrificed his only child for us? What life experience do you draw upon in order to try to understand that kind of love?

Our faith and obedience in our walk with Christ will have an impact on those close to us. It may be welcomed, or it may not be welcomed. But there will be an _____.

Discussion 2. Before you began following Christ, how did the faith/obedience of those around you impact you? How do you believe your faith/obedience has impacted the lives of those close to you?

When God tests our faith, it is not for His benefit. He already knows everything there is to know about our faith. Rather, it is for _____, that we might know our own faith from experience.

Discussion 3. Why do you think God wants us to know our own faith by experience? How does that help us in our spiritual growth? Can you think of a time when you learned something about your own faith from experience?

For it is by grace you have been saved, _____—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast. Ephesians 2:8-9

Discussion 4. Grace, faith, saved, obedience (works). Why is it so important that we get these in the right order in how we teach the gospel? Why is it so easy for people to believe the order should be works, grace, faith, saved?